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*Re: Public Records Request
Gretna City Police Department
Received July 23, 2019*

Dear Taylor Amarel:

Please be advised that the search for records for your Public Records Request ("PRR") dated July 23, 2019, directed to the Gretna City Police Department ("GPD"), has been completed. As stated previously, we are responding in the stead of and on behalf of the custodian of records as the custodian's legal counsel.

As I appreciate your request, you are seeking the following:

1. All emails sent to, from, or copied to Arthur Lawson, Chief of Police from June 1, 2019 to present day containing any of the following non-case-sensitive key-strings: "rape", "whistleblower", "AOC", or "needs a round."

We note this request is limited for the temporal period of June 1, 2019 to the present.

The search has revealed 338 pages of records responsive to your request. Of that response, 9 pages are exempt from disclosure as attorney-client privileged communications; 1 page shall be partially redacted to protect the privacy rights of a private citizen (La. Const. Art. 1, §5, (La. Const. 1974); and, 30 pages have not been used, being in use, or prepared, possessed, or retained for use in the conduct, transaction, work, duty or function which was conducted, transacted, or performed by or under the authority of any ordinance, regulation, mandate or order of any public body or

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concerning the receipt or payment of any money received or paid by or under the authority of the constitution or laws of this state, in addition to being unread and located in "spam" folder (La. R.S. §§ 44:1(A)(2)(a)).

You may contact my office at the above number or address and schedule a mutually convenient time for the inspection of these records. Under the custodian's fee schedule, as authorized by Louisiana law, production of copies of these records would be \$340.00.

However, if you wish to obtain copies, you may request a reduction of these fees and costs setting forth a reasonable basis for the reduction which will be considered. Costs are required to be paid in advance of, or at the time of, release of the copies of the documents.

By providing this response to you, please be advised that the GPD has not waived any additional objection they have, or may have, with respect to your request, its form, nature, demands or substance.

In the event after additional investigation, further response is required, or other action is taken in furtherance of this request, or any subsequent requests, GPD and/or the custodian(s) of the records reserve(s) any and all rights granted by law, jurisprudence or Attorney General Opinion.

As I stated previously, as mandated by Louisiana law, it is the policy of GPD to undertake every reasonable effort to respond to PRRs. However, if the information is not required to be disclosed pursuant to Louisiana law, GPD will abide by that law.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the above number. Please be advised that you should direct your response, or further inquiries, if any, to me in writing, by U.S. Mails, or by facsimile transmission at 504.586.0079. Because of the volume of electronic transmissions we receive, responding by e-mail is substantially delayed and not preferred.

Thank you for your kind attention and cooperation in this matter.

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Sincerely,



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cc: Chief Arthur S. Lawson, Jr.
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